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in partnership with the Hereld Institute for Jewish Studies of the Jewish Theological Seminary

Nathan Olshin Scholar-in-Residence Series

SUNDAY

Nov. 16

Science • The Beginning & End of the World: Religion, Philosophy

3:00 PM

**8 Broad St.
Middletown**

Cost: Donations gratefully accepted.

100% of the proceeds will support future Nathan Olshin Scholar in Residence Programs



YIZKOR

by Rabbi Haaz

At the end of Sukkot, we demonstrate our love and respect for departed family members and friends at the Yizkor service on Shemini Atzeret. Although the Yizkor

service of Yom Kippur is fewer than ten days before, the Yizkor service of Shemini Atzeret carries its own weight and beauty. It is one of four Yizkor services throughout the year – Shemini Atzeret, Passover, Shavuot, and Yom Kippur. When we set aside these four times for memory and reflection, we demonstrate our commitment to the enduring love that we have for our beloved family members and friends.

During Yizkor on Shemini Atzeret, I took time to think about the members of our extended Adath Israel family who died in the past year. I focused on the line, “I pledge righteousness on his/her behalf.” Yizkor reminds us that love is more powerful than death because we can live out the values and joys of our parents, grandparents, siblings, children, and friends. In addition to all those of Adath Israel who died in the past year, the loss of Nathan Olshin has left a hole in our hearts and a void in our community. Time heals our wounds and makes us forget our sorrows, but we must not allow Nate’s devotion and many contributions to our community to fade. We will pledge righteousness on Nate’s behalf by

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MISSION STATEMENT

by Michael Sigal



I am starting this month’s article with edited excerpts from my Yom Kippur message, because I think it is so important .

Please pay particular attention to our Mission Statement.

Last year, you heard me speak of something called the Sigal story where I’ve chosen to share with you some of the important things going on in the life of the Sigals.

So here’s the latest update. All four of us were at Yom Kippur services. Amy took time off from her job at J Crew to be here on both Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Stacey is a senior at Dickinson College this year. She spent her fall semester last year in Washington DC and was unable to be here. She wanted to come home for Yom Kippur for services and to hear me speak. Ruth and I love the fact that both girls came home, spent the holidays with us and were able to hear this message.

A call for leadership. This is my second and last year as President. We are fortunate that Eileen Daling is the Vice President and she will become the President next spring. We absolutely need to find people who want to assume leadership positions. The most important position in the short term is to find a Vice President to serve and learn from Eileen during her Presidency.

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Hanukkah is Coming!



Gift cards make GREAT Hanukkah gifts.

Order your gift cards through Adath Israel’s Scrips program.

It costs you nothing, saves time,

& every card you buy results in a donation to the synagogue from 2—16%.



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supporting and enjoying the Nathan Olshin Scholar-in-Residence Series for many years to come.

The inaugural program for Nathan Olshin Scholar-in-Residence Series will be held on Sunday, November 16 at 3pm. On this fall afternoon, we will remember and honor Nathan Olshin by enjoying his passion for learning at Adath Israel. Nate was a scholar of Jewish and secular learning, and the selected topic honors both of these aspects. Dr. Benjamin Sommer of The Jewish Theological Seminary and Dr. Mary-Jane Rubenstein of Wesleyan University will present on "The Beginning and End of the World: Religion, Philosophy, and Science." Dr. Sommer and Dr. Rubenstein are two dynamic scholars who are already well-published and whose stars are rapidly rising in their respective fields. We will all be deeply engaged by the discussion about how Jewish views of the beginning and the end of the world compare with explanations from other religions, philosophy, and recent advancements in cosmology.

Please join us for the panel discussion on Sunday, November 16 at 3pm to remember Nate and to celebrate tremendous Jewish learning at Adath Israel in his honor. The Nathan Olshin Scholar-in-Residence Series is free and open to the general public. However, we are raising funds for the endowment of this series and would appreciate your support. Your contributions in Nate's memory will help ensure the continuity of this educational series that will bring top scholars and innovative discussions to our Adath Israel synagogue. In this way, we pledge righteousness on Nate's behalf and strengthen our community through the highest level of Jewish learning. Through the establishment of the Nathan Olshin Scholar-in-Residence Series, may we make our memories of Nathan Olshin into an enduring blessing for many years to come.



WORDS CANNOT EXPRESS THE THANKS



In the spirit of community, many at Adath Israel's community stepped up to fill in with many of the duties that Mike Lafontaine has on his list as custodian while he was recuperating from hip replacement surgery. He is doing very well and by the time you read this article, hopefully, he will be back to work even better than before.

The entire Board of Director's wishes to thank the following members who were there for Adath Israel in Mike's absence:

Rabbi Haaz, Rebecca Axelrod, Lynn Bennett, Eileen Daling, Michael Daling, Rob Goldstein, Naomi Kamins, Richard Kamins, Irena May, Stephanie Meadow, Joanna Schnurman, Mike Sigal, Sharon Slossberg, Aaron Thiela, Harriet Thiela, Marci Thiela, and Irwin Zagoren.

If anyone has been forgotten, it is an honest mistake and does not reflect on what it means to us for any assistance you provided during this period of need.



DO YOU REMEMBER . ??? .

One pillar of a strong community consists of shared stories, recollections, and traditions. Help us get to know you and your family better by sharing fond memories, favorite recipes, and fun traditions. While we welcome submissions on any topic, this month we are especially looking for items relating to Hanukkah. Look for our first collection in December's Kolot.

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Adath Israel cannot, I repeat, cannot keep its doors open without leaders. Last year we were dangerously close to closing our doors. More close than many of you realize. Adath Israel is a religious institution which for financial and governance reasons needs to be run like a business. Simply put, only the officers are authorized to meet the legal and financial obligations of the Shul. If no one chooses to become an officer, then salaries and bills would not be paid. We would have to shut the doors. This would not be fair to our Rabbi, our office administrator, our religious school principal, and our custodian. It would be catastrophic to us as members.

Please think about becoming an officer of the Shul, joining the Board or taking a Committee Chairmanship. Please reach out to anyone on the Board of Directors to get more information or to volunteer for a position.

Communications strategy. There are 5 different ways we reach out to our members. There is the monthly Kolot, the weekly e-news, the Shul web site, the US Mail and the new bulletin board/TV monitor in the main hallway downstairs. Each one of them has information about upcoming events, interesting articles about our members, life cycle events and other information we think is important to our members. A lot of time is spent by our volunteers putting this information together for the benefit of our members.

Relational Judaism. The Board adopted a Mission Statement for the Shul last Wednesday night. **Adath Israel is a vibrant and welcoming egalitarian, Conservative congregation where Jews by birth or choice, interfaith families, traditional and non-traditional families celebrate our Jewish faith and heritage. We strive to meet the diverse spiritual, religious, educational and social needs of our members and to further the causes of the Jewish people in our community, the surrounding communities and the state of Israel.**

This Mission Statement reflects our thinking about the warmth and welcoming of our community, the enduring friendships, the sharing of joys, and the support through life's challenges and tragedies.

Money. Every synagogue I've ever attended for Yom Kippur services includes a plea for money. So, who am I to break with tradition. You recently received our High Holy Day appeal letter. Please contribute if you are able to do so. No dollar amount is too small. There are different ways to contribute

throughout the year such as attending our fund raising events and bring guests, donating for a specific synagogue need, donating for a life cycle event and donating for a yahrzeit. We had to raise the contribution amounts that we are asking from everyone. Even so, the additional revenue does not cover our increasing costs. Our endowment currently covers approximately 45% of our expenses. That number has been growing over the past decade and we must reverse the trend or there will not be an endowment to draw from anymore.

The easiest way for us to increase our revenues is to add members. New members give the promise of increasing the vitality of the community, having a larger group of people from which we can draw volunteers and increasing our revenue.

So in closing, please bring your passion to us and help. Whether you want to do something that gets public recognition, something that doesn't, something you've always wanted to do in synagogue, but never did. We all want this to be a vibrant, thriving Congregation. Look into your heart and I'm asking you to become involved. We need you. Please become someone who shapes the sacred stories of another in the coming years through your volunteerism. Thanks and L'shanah Tova.

One of the ways that we build our community is to share with each other. That is why I have chosen to share the Sigal story with all of you.

Another way is for us to be together at Religious and Social gatherings. Since I last wrote we had some very successful events at the Shul. The holidays were celebrated by one and all, we had a guest speaker on the second day of Rosh Hashanah to speak about the current situation in Israel, we had 2 Pray, Eat and Sing Shabbats and we had our first fund raising event, the Vendor Show.

I am looking forward to our first Nate Olshin Scholarship in Residence program to be held on Sunday, November 16th. The program will be followed by a dinner. Please look at any of the communications I mentioned earlier in this message to get the details. I hope to see you all there.

You also recently received a call to our semi annual meeting on Monday, November 17th. Please attend.

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Daf Beit Haseifer shel Heshvan/Kislev
The School Page for Heshvan/Kislev
November



November 2nd, 2014 - No Religious School

The staff will all be attending a professional development day at the Mitnick Conference for Jewish Educators in West Hartford.

November 7th, 2014 Pray—Eat— Sing

Services start at 5:30 PM with dinner following. The family-friendly atmosphere and earlier time makes it easy for even our youngest members to have a great Shabbat experience. Best of all dinner is FREE! We do ask that you RSVP to the synagogue office (860) 346-4709.

November 15, 2014 Shabbat L'hol Adat

All students, families, entire community is invited for a *Shabbat L'hol Adat* (Shabbat for Everyone). Services for everyone begin at 9:30 AM. Students from each grade will help to lead. A special *kiddush* luncheon follows. There is no Sunday school on Nov. 16th. This replaces Sunday school for that week.

November 26th - 30th - No Religious School

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday there will be no religious school on Wednesday November 26th or Sunday November 30th.

Mark Your Calendars for December

Saturday, December 6th, 10:00 AM - Hands on Hanukkah outreach program at Russell Library for pre-K—1st grade. Come and experience Shabbat friendly Hanukkah activities and then walk back to CAI for Kiddush with the community.

Wednesday, December 17th - Hanukkah Community Candle Lighting and Dinner. 4:30 PM Hanukkah singing for residents at homes for the aged. 5:30 PM community candle lighting followed by a dairy Hanukkah meal.

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I am thanking all of the volunteers who pitch in each and every day so that the events in the Shul happen. I want to especially thank those volunteers who went above and beyond their already significant volunteerism to fill in for our custodian while he was on medical leave.

I hope everyone has a Happy and Healthy Thanksgiving!



CONTEMPORARY ISRAELI VOICES **2014**

Dear Friends of the Jewish and Israel Studies,

As the summer and our vacation are coming to their end, I am writing to let you know about the most exciting **Contemporary Israeli Voices 2014** series, which is sponsored by the Jewish and Israel Studies, and which will debut this fall. The series features two acclaimed Israeli film directors, an internationally acclaimed writer, and two young emerging novelists. Below please find a short description of each event. All events are free and open to the public.

On **Thursday, October 30, Liran Golod**, an emerging novelist, will talk about *Writing Home: On Leaving and Returning Home*, at 8 PM at Russell House. The lecture will be accompanied by a reading from her novel *Earthwork* (2014) and a presentation of photographs and other images.

On **November 4**, the internationally acclaimed short story writer and film director and JIS former distinguished visiting scholar, **Etgar Keret**, will conduct a question and answer session following the screening of the movie *What Animal Are You?* The event is scheduled at 8 PM at the Goldsmith Family Cinema and is co-sponsored by the College of Film and the Moving Image.

On **Monday, November 7, Zeruya Shalev**, who has “hypnotized” (to use Israeli president, Shimon Peres words) many readers inside and outside Israel, will read from her book *The Remains of Love*. This amazing woman writer with her unique voice is an event not to be missed. The event will be scheduled at 8 pm at Russell House.

On **Saturday, November 22** the movie **Zaytoun**, which was cancelled last spring due to the snow storm, will be shown and commented upon by its own movie director, Eran Riklis. Riklis was hailed as one of Israel’s most acclaimed movie directors. His films *The Mission of the Human Resource Manager* (5 Israeli Academy Awards) and *The Syrian Bride* (18 international awards) were screened in our previous Ring Family Wesleyan University Israeli Film Festivals. The screening of *Zaytoun* and the director’s talk will take place at 8 pm at the Goldsmith Family Cinema. This event is co-sponsored by the College of Film and the Moving Image.

On **Thursday, December 4, Ofir Touche Gafla** will deliver a presentation entitled *In Praise of Fiction*. Touche Gafla’s novel *World of the End* (2013) has become a cult classic. This presentation is scheduled at 8 pm at Russell House.

I hope that you and friends will share with us these exciting and diverse voices. I will send more information about each event later on.

B'Shalom,

Dalit Katz

Adj. Associate Professor of Religion and
Israel Studies

Director of Jewish and Israel Studies

Director of the Ring Family Wesleyan University

Israeli Film Festival

Religion Department

Wesleyan University



Mark your calendar for "Pray - Eat - Sing"

Friday night - November 7

**Services at 5:30 pm followed by a
Shabbat Dinner at 6:30 pm**

Our whole community comes together to celebrate the joy of Shabbat. Early services let us pray together and share a meal and conversation. After dinner Rabbi Haaz will teach Shabbat songs (and take requests).

MUST RSVP: Synagogue office at 860-346-4709 by October 31 in order to be sure we have enough food for all who join us.

Please, remember to bring a non-perishable food item for the Amazing Grace Food Pantry.

Cost: Free to all members (reservations are a must.) Non-members must also RSVP and are free the first time. After that, there is a charge of \$10 per person or \$18 per family each time you attend thereafter.

Monetary donations toward the cost of food are requested
and gratefully appreciated.

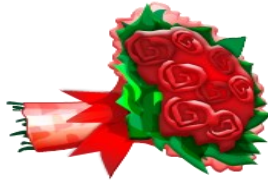
Your help needed: Contact Harriet Thiela or the office if you would like to help prepare the meal. If you can't assist with preparations, help is always needed and very much appreciated with clean up after dinner.

VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

by Myra Finkelstein

There was a time when women did not have many career choices. They could become teachers, secretaries, nurses, or perhaps pursue their "MRS" degree. November's volunteer studied nursing and became our own "Clara Barton", bringing comfort and competence to everyone she encounters. Hortie Kabel built a career spanning more than 60 years helping others. She has volunteered not only in the synagogue but also in the Middletown community. Her keen understanding of people's needs and the ways in which she could provide help, have guided her throughout her life.

MANY groups and individuals have benefited from Hortie's insights, talents, and hard work. Back in the day, the synagogue had three very active women's groups: Hadassah, B'nai Brith, and Sisterhood. Hortie was active in all three, becoming president of B'nai Brith, her passion. She has been honored by the Jewish National Fund and volunteered at the Interfaith Tea. Hortie served as president of the Middletown Chapter of the American Field Service (foreign exchange students); was involved with Christmas in April (serving low income homeowners); served on the board of the Russell Library as a trustee; was a key member of the Wesleyan Potters; and as a businesswoman, she was recognized by the Middletown Chamber of Commerce as a Citizen of the Year. Like Clara Barton, Hortie has been very involved with the Red Cross. For many years she served as chairperson of the twice yearly blood drive hosted by Adath Israel and she regularly volunteered in the Hospice Unit at Middlesex Hospital. Hortie has worked to help the young and old, the sick, the poor, the neighbor and the foreign student, the local neighborhood and the State of Israel. But her caring is not limited to the living. For more than 40 years Hortie and her husband, Jerry, were co-chairs of the Chevra Kadisha committee, meaning she was the first point of contact when a member passed away. She coordinated everything from contacting the funeral home to arranging the plot to be readied for the burial to securing a Rabbi (if need be) to finding place for the service to helping arrange shiva minyanim. During her years as co-chair, there were times the synagogue had no Rabbi, so all of those details fell to her.



When Rabbi Saks started the practice of preparing the bodies for burial, the purification process that is called *Taharah*, Hortie signed on for that task as well. Because of Hortie's nursing degree, all of the other women in the group took their cues and instructions from her, ensuring our beloved departed were treated with dignity and respect.

Below is a poem written anonymously about nurses. I have taken the liberty to adapt it to Hortie.

Hortie

*She is a talented professional
who dedicates herself to the care of others....
from the constant attention to their needs
to the sensitivity of the human spirit*

*We call her Nurse Hortie,
and little can truly repay her
for her countless deeds
except, perhaps our THANKS!*

Adath Israel is so proud of the work of Hortie Kabel, our own Clara Barton.

THANK YOU!

GIFT SHOP NEWS

Chanukkah begins this year on the night of December 16th with the lighting of the first candle.

For your convenience and in order to purchase any of your Chanukkah needs such as candles, wrapping paper, Menorah, and gifts, the Adath Israel Gift Shop will be opened the following dates and times (for sure):

Sunday, November 23 and Sunday, December 7 from 10:00 am to 12 noon

If you need to order something from "The Source Everything Jewish", please go to their website, decide what you want and bring the information to the gift shop on November 23 to ensure your item will arrive in time for the holiday.



IT'S NEWS

TODAH RABAH



THANK YOU to all our members and friends who have stepped in to help while our wonderful custodian, **Mike Lafontaine**, is on the mend. From making sure all the siddurim are put away following services, to preparing and serving Kiddush, to cleaning up after Pray-Eat-Sing your many hands have helped lighten the load. Special thanks to **Sharon Slossberg** for helping with Kiddush prep and opening the building for Al Anon & AA, **Aaron Thiela** for always offering to help with setting or cleaning up, **Harriet and Marcey Thiela** for helping with Pray-Eat-Sing and HHD food preparations.

Break the Fast Helpers: Irena May, Harriet Thiela, Marcey Thiela, Sharon Slossberg, Alexander Rodriguez, Myra & David Finkelstein, Bobette Reed Kahn, Richard Kamins, Katie Gendrich, Elise Gendrich, Emma Axelrod, Levi Axelrod, and Deb Hall.

We appreciate the generosity of the Fred & Barbara Edelstein Charitable Gift Fund for their recent donation to the Synagogue.

“Where There Is No Bread, There Is No Torah”

Thank you to the following people for sponsoring meals:

Pray- Eat-Sing

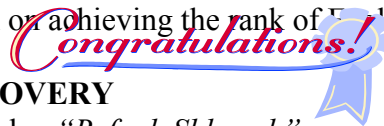
Deb Hall
Myra & David Finkelstein
Michael Leipziger
Stephanie & Eliot Meadow
Joanna Schnurman & Andy Bauer
Ruth & Mike Sigal
Morty Pear

Oneg & Kiddush

Corinne Brodie in memory of her parents
Myron Poliner in memory of his mother, Gertrude Poliner
Jo-Ann Price in memory of Libby J. Nevas
William, Sharon, Michael & Trevor Fleischmann in memory of father & grandfather, Ralph “Mickey” Paley

MAZAL TOV

Brian Goldstein on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout



SPEEDY RECOVERY

We'd like to wish a “*Refuah Shlemah*” to the following: **Seth Axelrod, Hortie Kabel, Naomi Kamins, Sarah Kamins, Hal Kaplan, Mike Lafontaine, Nihla Lapidus, Harriet Levin, Judith & Ron Rubel, Teresa Shulman,**



MAY GOD GIVE COMFORT TO

Deepest sympathies to **Michael Klein** on the recent death of his father, Harry Klein, **Seth Axelrod** on the death of his father, Jon Axelrod, and **Eileen Daling** on the recent death of her beloved Uncle Sam.

ONE WHO GIVES LENDS TO THE LORD

MAXINE THUMIM SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN HONOR OF

Todd Director's wedding

IN MEMORY OF

Judd, Father & Grandfather of Mr. & Mrs. Jeremy Hines by Eileen & Michael Daling
Eileen Daling's Uncle Sam by Joanna Schnurman & Andy Bauer

SPEEDY RECOVERY

Teresa Shulman by Eileen & Michael Daling

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IN HONOR OF:

Ruth Beit's Special Birthday by Joan Gordon

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SPEEDY RECOVERY

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Harry Klein, father of Michael Klein, by

Ruth & Miker Sigal

Eileen & Michael Daling

Paulette & Herb Gewirtz

Joanna Schnurman & Andy Bauer

Eileen Daling's Uncle Sam by Ruth & Mike Sigal

Jon Axelrod, father of Seth Axelrod, by

Ruth & Mike Sigal

Joanna Schnurman & Andy Bauer

SPEEDY RECOVERY

Teresa Shulman by Linda & Jack Adler

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Lori, Philip, Jillian, and Nicole McDermott

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Morris Dampsky by Sara Paley

Leo Nevas by Jo-Ann Price

Libby Nevas by Jo-Ann Price

Betty Friedman by Larry Friedman

Max Finkelstein by Donna & Mark Finkelstein

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RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Judith Kaufman

IN HONOR OF

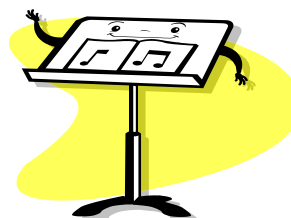
Harriet Thiela's Special Birthday by

Hazel Kurlansky

Anita Hennessey

DO YOU LOVE TO SING?

Do you love Jewish music? The Connecticut Z'mirah Chorale is looking for experienced singers throughout the state who share a love of Jewish choral music. All voice parts are welcome. Location of next rehearsal: Sunday, October 19 from 7-9pm at the Whitney Center, 200 Leeder Hill Drive, Hamden, CT. To learn more, visit <http://zmira Chorale.padd.com> or call (203) 269-6210.



LIFE CYCLES



Sondra & Roger Beit
Fran & Lew Goldberg



Betty Laufer
Amy Sigal
Charles Gendrich
Charles Tischofer
Shirley Schloss
Jenna Director
Samantha Goldstein
Leslie Friedlander
Judith Rubel
Adam Finkelstein
Irwin Zagoren
Douglas Miller
Barbara Sequenzia
Joanna Schnurman
Robert Goldstein
Arthur Waldmann
Randy Parks

SHARE GOOD NEWS!

Do you have some wonderful, exciting news about you or someone in your family that you would like to share with the congregation? We now have a new L'Chaim Board just outside the office! So stop by and pin up a picture, a newspaper article, a note about your news, etc. We would love to celebrate with you!



CREDIT CARD

CAI is able to process Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover credit card payments. There are a number of benefits:

- You save time and money, no checks, no stamps, no worries
- You have the option of spreading out your payments
- You will always be a CAI member in good standing
- CAI will have a dependable revenue stream

When you pay by credit card, your contributions will be paid automatically. You will no longer have to worry about mailing your payments or about not being able to pay your contribution while you are out of town on business or vacation. Enrollment is easy. You have the option of charging any or all of your contributions and donations at once or on an installment schedule with the final installment being in July. **If your previously paid by credit card but have not filled out a new form for this year, please stop in or call the office at 860.346.4709 to get a new form. New forms must be filled out every year.**

Once your credit card information is up to date and on file in the office, you can always charge your credit card for any donations/contributions made over the phone throughout the year.

As always, if anyone has any questions regarding your contribution, please call Michael Daling 860-346-0667 or Irwin Zagoren 860-347-6550.

HOST AN ONEG OR A KIDDUSH

Take advantage of an opportunity to share a family simcha, honor a friend or relative, or remember a loved one by sponsoring a Friday night Oneg Shabbat or a Saturday morning Kiddush. This is a delightful way to let others in our community celebrate a special occasion or share a memory with you. You can host an Oneg or Kiddush even if you may not be able to attend, although your presence would certainly add to the occasion.

The following is a breakdown of the cost for a Saturday morning Kiddush and what foods are normally provided:

Regular Kiddush - \$72 – Challah, gefilte fish, horseradish, herring(s), tuna fish, egg salad, assorted sweets, bagels, cream cheese, wine, juice, coffee/tea.

Deluxe - \$136 – all of the regular Kiddush plus lox, flavored cream cheeses, tomatoes, onions and fruit.

Cost for a regular Friday night Oneg Shabbat is approximately \$ 54, with additional costs for life cycle occasions.

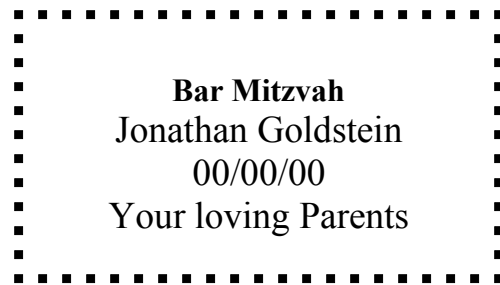
These prices are based on normal attendance at minyan (approximately 20 attendees). Prices will be adjusted if more are expected to attend Kiddush or Oneg or for special occasions (Bar/Bat Mitzvah, baby naming, or other life cycle events). Call the synagogue office at 346-4709 at least a month in advance to make arrangements with the synagogue office administrator. You may either purchase the food and bring it to the synagogue according to her instructions or simply make a donation and have our staff prepare the refreshments on your behalf.



HONOR THOSE SPECIAL PERSONS IN YOUR LIFE WITH A PLAQUE FOR THE “SIMCHA” MENORAH

Whether it celebrates a Bar Mitzvah, Bat Mitzvah, Birth of a Child or Grandchild, Wedding, “Special” Birthday, special event/honor, etc. share your joy with our synagogue community – **FOREVER.**

SAMPLE



Only \$136.00 – A gift that endures

Contact Joanna @ 860-346-4709
or office@adathisraelct.org.

WEEKLY ENEWS

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to office@adathisraelct.org and begin getting your copy free of charge. If you were receiving the enews but somehow you aren't anymore, maybe you changed your email address. Let us know of any changes also.





One of the symbols of the Thanksgiving season is the cornucopia, or horn of plenty.

You can help create a Middletown cornucopia so local families may enjoy some of the bounty many of us take for granted.

How?

It's as easy as picking up a can of graavy.

The Middletown Community Thanksgiving is preparing its **Thanksgiving Basket Program** again this year.

Last year 450 plus Middletown families were able to have a wonderfully plentiful Thanksgiving meal thanks to many area organizations including Adath Israel, collecting items for the baskets.

We have the opportunity to help again this year.

Our charge: collect 150 cans of gravy.

Starting immediately and continuing until November 18th, please bring your cans of gravy to the synagogue office.

Monetary donations for the program are always appreciated.

We've made our goal three years in a row, so please let's do it again.

What a wonderful way to share your blessings with those in need.



Voices of Hope and JFACT

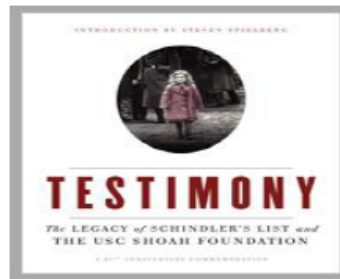
present an evening with

Dr. Stephen D. Smith

Executive Director of USC Shoah Foundation

Exclusively for the milestone 20th anniversary of *Schindler's List* and the establishment of the USC Shoah Foundation, Steven Spielberg and Universal Pictures opened their archives to create Testimony, a fascinating large-format illustrated book combining the behind-the-scenes story of the Oscar-winning film and the foundation's incredible work.

Come learn about Voices of Hope, an organization created by descendants of Holocaust survivors to foster a culture of courage and social action against hate, bigotry, intolerance and indifference and what we are doing in CT.



DATE: Wednesday, November 12th

TIME: 7:00 pm

COST: \$18.00

R.S.V.P. required to
Kathy Fishman at
860/727-5771 or
jfact@mcmgmt.com

Mandell JCC Herbert Gilman Theatre
335 Bloomfield Avenue, West Hartford, CT 06117

Dessert Reception and Book signing immediately following
in the Chase Family Gallery



Dr. Smith, a theologian by training, has a particular interest in the impact of the Holocaust on religious and philosophical thought and practice. He founded the U.K. Holocaust and co-founded the Aegis Trust for the prevention of crimes against humanity and genocide. Smith is one of the world's foremost experts on genocide prevention and in 2013, was named the inaugural UNESCO Chair on Genocide Education.





Tikkun Olam/Fundraiser

We continue again this year to collect cleaned \$.05 returnable bottles and cans for Tikkun Olam/Fundraiser.

From July-October we will be collecting Bottles and Cans and the money collected will benefit the Religious School.

From November – February we will be collecting Bottles and Cans and the money collected will go to the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund.

From March-June we will be collecting Bottles and Cans, and the money will go towards Middletown's Relay for Life Organization.

Each month a reminder notice will go out to let you know that we are collected from all your bottles and cans (5 cent ones only) and which area is benefitting.

Please drop your **CLEANED** cans and bottles off in the designated bucket in front of Joanna's office.

Thank you so much for helping to repair the world (Tikkun Olam) and raise a few dollars as well.

Stephanie Meadow





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november 2014

cheshvan/kislev

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
26	27	28	29	30	31	1 9:30 am Shabbat morning services 8 cheshvan
2 No Religious School or Mazal Tots 9 cheshvan	3 10 cheshvan	4 11 am & 12:30 pm Mah Jongg 7:30 pm AA & AI Anon 11 cheshvan	5 7 am Early Risers Minyan 10:30 am Stitchery Group 4 pm Religious School 7 pm Executive Bd 12 cheshvan	6 13 cheshvan	7 5:30 Pray-Eat-Sing Shabbat evening service & dinner 14 cheshvan	8 9:30 am Shabbat morning services 15 cheshvan
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16 No Religious School or Mazal Tots 9:30 am JWV Brunch 3 pm Nathan Olshin Scholar in Residence Lecture 23 cheshvan	17 7 pm Semi-Annual Mtg 24 cheshvan	18 11 am & 12:30 pm Mah Jongg 7:30 pm AA & AI Anon 25 cheshvan	19 4 pm Religious School 26 cheshvan	20 27 cheshvan	21 7 pm Shabbat evening services 28 cheshvan	22 9:30 am Shabbat morning services 29 cheshvan
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